

MEETINGS

You can speak on matters of concern during the first 15 minutes of each Council or Committee meeting. Please contact **Sue Elder** at the Rolleston office well in advance if you wish to speak.

Township, Hall and Reserve Committees, please note: If you wish to advertise your meeting please let **Lee Brehaut** know as soon as possible by faxing (03) 347 2799, e-mailing lee.brehaut@selwyn.govt.nz, or phoning 347 2964 or 318 8338.

COUNCIL

Council Meeting

- Wed 25 March, 1 pm, Council Chambers Rolleston

Industrial Park Project Team

- Thu 2 April, 3pm, Executive Meeting Room One, Rolleston Council Buildings

Because this project team discusses commercially sensitive information, the public will be excluded from most, if not all, of the meeting. Enquiries to the Corporate Services Manager, **Douglas Marshall**.

Malvern Hills Rural Water Supply

– Extraordinary meeting

- Fri 27 March 2009, 1.30pm, Ex-Darfield Service Centre.

Topic: Township Water Capital Assistance Funding.

COMMUNITY

Darfield Recreation & Community Centre

- Mon 6 April, 7.30pm, Darfield Recreation Centre.

Dunsandel Community Committee

- Thu 2 April, 7.30pm, Library Room, Dunsandel Hall.

Glentunnel Residents Association

- Mon 6 April, 7.30pm, Community Centre – Glentunnel.

Hororata District Citizens Association

This meeting has been postponed.

Hororata Reserve Management Committee

- Wed 1 April, 7.30pm, Hororata Hall.

Public meeting

Leeston Community Committee

- Mon 6 April, 7.30pm, Leeston Fire Station

Leeston Park Association

- Mon 30 March, 8pm, Leeston Park Pavilion.

Lincoln Community Committee

- Mon 6 April, 7.30pm, Lincoln Community Centre.

Rolleston Community Centre Committee

- Thu 26 March, 7.30pm, Rolleston Community Centre.

Springston Hall Committee

- Thu 26 March, 7.30pm, Springston Community Hall.

Templeton Residents Association

- Mon 30 March, 7.30pm, Templeton Community Centre.

Tai Tapu Community Association Inc

- Wed 1 April, 7.30pm, Tai Tapu Library.

West Melton District Residents' Assn

- Wed 1 April, 7.30pm, West Melton Community Centre.

DAY CLUB IS COMING TO TOWN

Rolleston Community Centre Lounge

Monday, 30 March at 9.30am

The Pavilion in Osborne Park, Doyleston

Monday, 30 March at 1.30pm

What is a Day Club? It's an all day drop-in centre for older members of the community. It's held once a week so that seniors can meet up for a chat, a hot meal and a bit of social activity.

If you're in Doyleston, Leeston or Rolleston then come and join us for a cuppa, a bite and a discussion about setting one up in your town.

All welcome.

Contact **Diane Chesmar**, our Community Development Adviser, on 347 2800 or 318 8338.



ROLLESTON COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS

with Maria Moran

We've had lots of new programmes running at the Centre during Term One, including:

- Yoga
- Pilates
- Tai Chi
- Belly Dancing
- All of the above combined in our Mind and Body class
- After-school basketball
- Older adults easy stretching
- Pre-school movement
- After-school creative dance
- Dance for adults
- Jewellery making.

That's just the new stuff. Our popular regular programmes are also running: Mini Gym; Active Fitness (for seniors) and Pump.

If we are to keep running these programmes in Term Two, it is important that we get community support.

So please come along and join the fun!

If you can't get there now but would like to in Term Two, or would like a programme run on a different day or time, please let me know and we'll see what we can do!

Sport Canterbury holiday programmes are happening again at the Community Centre – this time in the second week of the holidays (20-24 April).

Information and booking details are available on their website www.sportcanterbury.org.nz or phone 03 373 5060.

LINCOLN ENVIROTOWN

Cooking With Attitude Classes

New series, starting Tuesday 12 May, 6pm-7.30pm.

Due to popular demand, the next 10-class course will start on Tuesday 12 May, 6pm -7.30pm. There may also be a concurrent course on another day of the week for people who can't manage a Tuesday evening.

Contact **Cello** on 03 325 2156 to book or say which day suits you. The cost is \$75 payable in advance for 10 classes, including a meal.



SMALL BUSINESS WORKSHOPS

INVESTMENT READY – APPROACHING INVESTORS AND NEGOTIATION

Date: Thursday 26 March 2009

Time: 5pm - 9pm

Venue: Selwyn District Council, Rolleston Headquarters

Cost: \$10 for a light meal (Course fully funded by NZT&E)

Presenter: Craig Rust

Topics:

1. Preparing Your Business Case - What is Your Business Worth?
2. Legal Implications of Raising Funds
3. Finding an Investor
4. Doing the deal




Selwyn
Wheels & Heels
with Lee Wright
transport & road safety coordinator

Missing \$150?

You will be – if you don't belt up! This month, due to lax wearing of seatbelts, the police are again focusing on the "Belt-Up, No Excuses" message and targeting the wearing of seat-belts in Selwyn.



Sergeant Campbell says that eight lives could have been saved on Selwyn roads in 2007 if people had been wearing seat-belts. He cannot stress enough the importance of wearing a seatbelt, whether a driver is travelling at one kilometre or a hundred kilometres per hour.

By holding you in your seat, the belt prevents you from being smacked at full speed into a windscreen, dashboard, seatback or fellow traveller.

Why would someone choose not to wear such a basic safety device? Excuses police are sick of hearing include:

- My seatbelt is uncomfortable.
- I'm only going to the shops, 5 minutes away.
- My car is as safe as houses.
- I've been driving for 30 years and I have never had a crash, so why do I need to wear a seatbelt?
- Seatbelts make me feel trapped.

These excuses are not acceptable to police. It's a simple choice really. Belt up or pay up - there are no excuses.

SELWYN CENTRAL COMMUNITY CARE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 30 March 2009

Rolleston Community Centre Lounge

Contact:

Dorothy Oakley,

03 318 1742

or Fay Taylor,

03 347 2286.

For the attention of

JEREMY BOWMAR – Whereabouts unknown

In the matter of your seized stereo, unless you apply in writing for its return and pay all due fees within 14 days of the date of this notice, the Council will dispose of the stereo to recover costs. Please contact **Eamonn Waters** or **Tracey Wheeler** on 347 2800 or 03 318 8338.

COMING TO A PHONE NEAR YOU

The pre-testing phase of the latest Residents' Survey has been completed and thank you to all participants. The pre-test questionnaire had to be much longer than the final questionnaire which we are now using for the rest of the survey.

It allowed us to test many proposed new questions and weed out those which were ineffective or repetitive. The end result is a leaner, stripped-down, questionnaire which has a mix of previous questions about Council services and new questions about the quality of life in Selwyn.

The survey is entirely anonymous, based on randomly-generated phone numbers (which sometimes accidentally include unlisted numbers).



It will take 15-20 very interesting minutes of your time and is an excellent opportunity for you to tell us how well we are serving your community – and where we could do better.

So, if a nice lady from Sigma phones you, please say "Yes." The survey will run for about six weeks, until 1,000 residents have been interviewed.



DOG MICROCHIPPING

If your dog was first registered after **30 June 2006** and is not a working dog, the law requires him or her to be microchipped. This free monthly service is available at the following Council service centres on Friday of next week – **Friday 27 March** - at the following times:

Friday 27 March	Lincoln	Leeston	Rolleston	Darfield
	11-12noon	9-10am	1-2pm	3-4pm

Please note:

- Rolleston microchipping is at the Selwyn District Council head office in Norman Kirk Drive, off Rolleston Drive.
- Microchipping will not take place if wet.
- Working dogs and dogs registered before **1 July 2006** can be microchipped for \$20 per dog.

If, because of distance or dog numbers, you can't get to a clinic, you can ask for an Animal Control Officer to carry out the microchipping at your place. Contact **Tracey Wheeler** or **Eamonn Waters** on 03 347 2800 or 03 318 8338.

COMMUNITY GROUPS (COGS) FUNDING

Public meeting: What needs to be funded in Selwyn?

Monday, 6 April, 7.30-9 pm
Rolleston Rugby Club Rooms
Rolleston Reserve, Moore Street

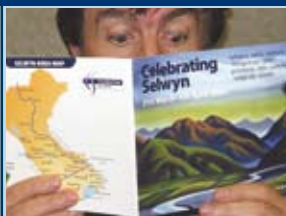
The Community Organisation Grants Scheme (COGS) gives money to community organisations which provide social services.

Funding decisions are made by local distribution committees (LDCs) based on their understanding of the needs and priorities in each area.

The Canterbury Rural LDC is holding a public meeting in Rolleston to find out what the needs and priorities are for Selwyn. It will also present a report on who got what in the 2008 COGS round.

This is an opportunity to tell the committee and the Council's Community Development staff which social services need funding in Selwyn District.

This year's funding round opens on **1 June**.



CELEBRATING SELWYN

It's here, it's here. Celebrating Selwyn is underway - a sparkling fortnight of events and opportunities which showcase the talent, diversity and sheer fun which is bustling away in all corners of our wonderful district.

Get the free booklet, which lists more than 100 attractions and events, and use it to draw up your own "bucket list" of must-sees and must-dos. To find out more, go to the website – www.CelebratingSelwyn.com

AA DESK, ROLLESTON

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

The AA desk at the Council building in Rolleston will be open on **Friday 27 March** from **8.30am until 3.30pm** for all driver & vehicle licensing, and will be closed from **3.30pm to 5pm** for staff training. We apologize for any inconvenience.



GET SPARC IN YOUR CORNER

*The Chessboxing Juniors from Coalgate
Have trained every night – until late
They are fit, they can hit,
Can play any gambit,
They can KO and they can checkmate.*

*But one thing is blocking their climb
To tournament glory sublime -
They have nought for transport
To the place where it's fought
- so they might have to forfeit this time.*

Too bad they don't know about the **SPARC** Travel Fund which helps rural sports clubs and schools transport their 5-19 year old players to local competitions (except school competitions during school time).

Applications close on **Tuesday 31 March**

Contact **Stuart Westoby** on 03 347 2875 or 03 318 8338 or email stuart.westoby@selwyn.govt.nz

BIOBLITZ

Liffey Domain, Lincoln

3.15pm Friday 3 April
– 3.15pm Saturday 4 April

BioBlitz is a 24-hour around-the-clock event where teams of biologists, with the help of the public, try to find as many different species as possible, living in Lincoln's Liffey Domain. It is fun, free and educational.

Bugman **Ruud Kleinpaste** will open the event and be there to talk to people.

During the 24 hours activities will include:

- sampling invertebrates in the Liffey Stream
- electric fishing
- sweep-netting to catch invertebrates
- collecting some invertebrate pit traps
- sampling algae in ponds and damp areas
- hunting for lichens and fungi
- searching for plants
- fossicking for mosses, liverworts and algae
- listening and looking for birds

After-dark activities:

- spot-lighting for eels
- light-trapping moths
- spot-lighting for possums, rats, hedgehogs



RESOURCE CONSENTS

Because of their possible environmental effects, many activities need resource consent from the Council. You have the right to inspect the following consent application at any Council Service Centre during normal office hours and to make a submission supporting or opposing it.

Springs Ward

• Leeston Road

D.P.D. Tyson (Application 085339) seeks to subdivide 16.59 hectares zoned Outer Plains into four lots between 3.8 hectares and 4.2 hectares, and (Application 085340) to retain the existing dwelling on the reduced area of proposed Lot 4 and to erect a dwelling on each proposed new lot. The land is situated at 161 Leeston Road Springston on Rural Section 7096 & Lot 3 Deposited Plan 61698. The applicant's address for service is C/-Davie Lovell-Smith, P.O. Box 679, Christchurch 8140.

How to make a submission

If you wish to support or oppose a consent application you must get a written submission on Form 13 or to the like effect into any Council Service Centre by **Friday 24 April 2009**, and promptly send a copy to the applicant's service address. Your submission should be addressed to **Helen Allison**, Planning Administrator. It must be signed and dated by you, and must state:

- your name, postal address, phone or fax
- the applicants' name, number and location
- whether you support or oppose the application
- your reasons
- the decision you wish us to make
- whether you wish to speak at a hearing

(This notice is issued under Section 93(2) of the Resource Management Act 1991.)

LOST DOGS near Waimakariri River

Information needed



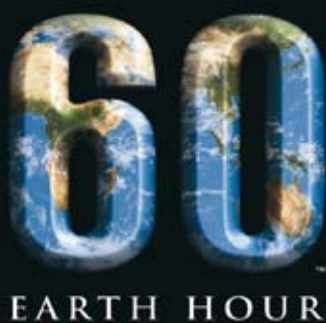
If you were in the Waimakariri River area around the Kimberley Road, Intake Road, Gorge Bridge between **Sunday 8 March and Wednesday 11 March** and lost or found some dogs, please contact **Tracey Wheeler** on 347 2800 or 318 8338.

This Saturday at 8.30pm the lights go off in many homes and businesses throughout New Zealand and the world. In two short years, Earth Day has become one of the biggest environmental events on the planet.

Switching the light off for one hour will not save the planet, of course, but for at least some of us, it might lead to other reductions in energy consumption which will be good for our pockets and our planet.

If even a handful of us are inspired by Earth Hour to reduce our "ecological footprint" and work towards a more sustainable future, then it will have been worth it.

A highlight of the New Zealand campaign is the chance to win a hybrid fuel-efficient Toyota Prius car. Just go to the Earth Hour website www.earthhour.org.nz to find out more – and tell your friends.



www.earthhour.org/newzealand



TOYOTA
PRIUS

DUATHLON SUNDAY!

Sunday 5 April 2009

Tai Tapu (women only) 9am

Southbridge (gender optional) 9.30am

Bikewise Month may be behind us but, read this, you sweataholics, **Duathlon Sunday** is just ahead. A duathlon, as the name implies, is a thlon (Greek for contest) which combines two sports (running and cycling). So if you want a good pore workout, Tai Tapu and Southbridge are the places to be on Sunday 5 April.

- Tai Tapu Playcentre's annual **Women's Duathlon** is a girls-only affair starting at 9am. Entry fee: \$20 by the end of March; \$25 late entries. For tickets, phone **Leah Heaton** on 03 329 6002 or email kevinrickerby@gmail.com Contact phone: 03 329 7226.

- The popular **Ellesmere Duathlon** is open to all genders, sexes and chromosomal affiliations. It starts from Southbridge School in Hastings Street at 9.30am. There's a choice of short (14 km) or long (26 km) courses

Entry fee: \$25/person, \$35/team. For late entries add \$5. Phone **Helene Faass** 03 324 2271 or visit www.activecanterbury.org.nz or www.ellesmereduathlon.co.nz

Or contact our Active Communities Coordinator, **Sarah Wilson** on 03 347 2800 or 318 8338